

To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 1988 without my signature.

While we always want to keep parents informed of a variety of issues, imposing the additional administrative duties proscribed in this bill would increase the cost on school districts by an estimated \$5.3 million annually. Since information concerning irradiated food is already available from a variety of sources, these funds would be better spent in the classroom.

Therefore, I am unable to sign this bill.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger